NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT SECRETARY, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS,

CHAPTER 295-2, EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL DATES
RULE 295-2-.01, Licenses Expiring June30—Odd Years.
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Joint Secretary, proposes amendments to the Rules of the Joint Secretary, State Examining Boards, Chapter 295-2, Expiration and Renewal Dates (hereinafter "proposed rule amendments"). The proposed rule amendments include revisions to Rule 295-2-.01. The Joint Secretary voted to post this notice of adoption and hearing on February 9, 2012

The proposed rule amendment specifies that Pharmacy Technician licenses expire on June 30 of odd years with a lapsed late renewal period from July 1st to September 1st of odd years

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. These documents will also be available for review on the Professional Licensing Board's web page at http://www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/default.htm . Copies may also be requested by contacting the Professional Licensing Board office at 478-207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. March 12, 2012 at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendments. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information for the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on March 5, 2012 .Written comments should be addressed to Lisa W. Durden, Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. FAX: 478-207-1612.

The proposed rule amendments will be considered for adoption by the Division Director at his meeting on March 12, 2012 scheduled to begin at 10:10 a.m. at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Division Director has the authority to adopt the proposed rule amendments pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4 and 26-4-28.

The Division Director considered at a meeting on February 9, 2012 whether the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment imposes excessive regulatory costs on any licensee or entity and whether any cost to comply with the proposed rule amendment could be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§43-1-4 and 26-4-28.

Additionally, at this meeting on February 9, 2012, the Division Director considered whether it was legal or feasible in meeting the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4 and 26-4-28 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The Division Director considered whether the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment will impact every licensee in the same manner when small businesses are independently owned and operated and not dominant in the fields regulated.

For further information, contact the Professional Licensing Board office at 478-207-1300.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This 9th day of February, 2012

Lisa W. Durden Division Director Professional Licensing Boards

Posted: February 9, 2012

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE RULES OF THE JOINT SECRETARY, STATE EXAMINING BOARDS RULE 295-2-.01, Licenses Expiring June 30 - Odd Years.

<u>Purpose</u>: Specifies that LICENSES OF PHARMACY TECHNICIANS EXPIRE ON JUNE 30 OF ODD YEARS WITH A LAPSED LATE RENEWAL PERIOD FROM JULY $1^{\rm ST}$ TO SEPTEMBER $1^{\rm ST}$ OF ODD YEARS.

Main Features: Sets forth that LICENSES OF PHARMACY TECHNICIANS EXPIRE ON JUNE 30 OF ODD YEARS WITH A LAPSED RENEWAL PERIOD FROM JULY 1ST TO SEPTEMBER 1ST OF ODD YEARS

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF THE JOINT SECRETARY, STATE EXAMINING BOARDS RULE 295-2-.01, Licenses Expiring June 30-Odd Years.

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

295-2-.01 Licenses Expiring June 30—Odd Years. Amended.

The following licenses expire on June 30 in the odd numbered years:

- (a) Architects; with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1st to September 30th of odd years;
- (b) Athlete Agents with no lapsed, late renewal period;
- (c) Barbers (Instructors, Schools, and Shops); with a lapsed, late renewal period whose penalty dates shall be from July 1st to December 31st of odd years;
- (d) Cosmetology (Instructors, Schools, and Shops, with the exception of Hair Design Instructors and Schools); with a lapsed, late renewal period whose penalty dates shall be from July 1st to December 31st of odd years;
- (e) Funeral Service (Homes); with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1st to July 31st of odd years;
- (f) Pharmacy (Manufacturer, Pharmacy, Wholesaler-Distributor-Supplier, <u>Pharmacy</u> <u>Technicians</u>); with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1st to September 1st of odd years.
- .(g) Private Detective and Security Agencies (Companies); with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1_{st} to July 31_{st} of odd years; and
- (h) Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators: with a lapsed, late renewal period from July 1st to September 30th of odd years.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-4 and 26-4-28.